

REMARKS

Claims 3-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14-16, 19-22, 26-28, 30-32, 44 and 48 were pending. Claims 56-88 were added. Support for the new claims is found throughout the specification at, inter alia, the original claims. Thus, it is believed that no new matter is added. Claims 3-6, 8-9, 11-12, 14-16, 19-22, 26-28, 30-32, 44, 48 and 56-88 are pending. No claim is allowed.

Summary of Examiner's Interview

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the time and guidance provided by the Examiner in the interview of October 30, 2007. Applicants discussed the comments in the Advisory Action regarding the amended claims. The Examiner indicated that the claims objected to in the Final Action dated March 29, 2007 would be allowable if rewritten as individual independent claims.

New and Amended Claims

Claims 26-28 and 30-32 were objected to in the Action dated March 29, 2007 as dependent on a rejected base claim. The interview with the Examiner confirmed that these claims would be in allowable form if each were rewritten as an independent base claim. Claims 26-28 and 30-32 are now each an independent claim. The new dependent claims 56-88 are identical the dependent claims already pending and further define the claimed subject matter of claims 27, 28, 31 or 32.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 146392000500. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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